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Applicant: LUNDEN, Klaus A. et al. Conf.: 8716
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For: USE OF COLLOIDAL PRECIPITATED CALCIUM
CARBONATE AS A FILLER IN THE PREPARATION
OF PAPER

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

November 4, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action dated August 2, 2002, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

In the Claims:

As indicated on page 2 of the Office Action, in the claims submitted with the Preliminary Amendment of November 27, 2000, the claim following claim 33 was incorrectly numbered "31". As a result, this claim has been renumbered as claim 34, and claims 34-44 have been renumbered as claims 35-45. As a result, in the following amendment and in future papers, the renumbered claim numbers will be utilized.

Please amend the claims as follows:

24. (Amended) A process for regulating the porosity and printing properties of uncoated wood-containing paper, the process comprising using a sufficient quantity of colloidal precipitated calcium carbonate (PCC) having a BET surface area of 10-100 m²/g as a filler to achieve a desired porosity of the paper.